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In the Matter of)

1989 Satellite Carrier)
Royalty Distribution)
Proceeding)

CRT Docket No. 91-1-89SCD

COMMENTS OF THE JOINT SPORTS CLAIMANTS

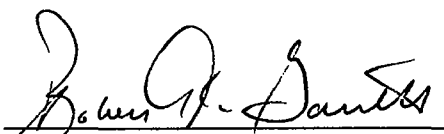
Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Hockey League, and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (collectively the "Joint Sports Claimants") submit the following comments in response to the Tribunal's notice published at 56 Fed. Reg. 23051 (May 20, 1991).

The individual members of Joint Sports Claimants have agreed among themselves on how to allocate the 1989 satellite carrier royalties attributable to sports telecasts. However, they have not agreed with any other claimant groups concerning the distribution of the 1989 satellite carrier royalty fund. Accordingly, the Joint Sports Claimants believe that a "Phase I" controversy exists with respect to that fund, and that Phase I proceedings should be commenced following completion of the 1989 cable royalty Phase I proceedings. The Joint Sports Claimants intend to participate in any

proceedings regarding distribution of the 1989 satellite
carrier royalty fund.

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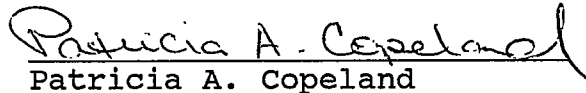
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